

## QUARTO-CENTENNIAL

ALPHA TAU OMEGA CONGRESS CONCLUDES ITS 25TH SESSION.

Election of Officers—Banquet Last Night—To Meet in Nashville Two Years Hence.

The Alpha Tau Omega Congress assembled at the Exchange yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. A number of additional delegates arrived on the early trains, and the forty-three active chapters and ten State alumni associations were represented with the exception of four members. These delegates represent thirteen States and the best colleges and universities in the Union.

The oration was delivered by Dr. J. B. Chadwick, of the University of Michigan, and contained much practical advice to young men. After the oration Mr. Walter T. Daniel, of New York city, resigned his position as editor of *Palm*, the official organ of the fraternity, and the election of his successor was referred to the High Council.

## NEXT MEETING.

The selection of the place for the next biennial grand meeting brought forth a vigorous discussion as to whether it should be held at Washington or Nashville. The latter place was selected and the date of the Biennium will have the pleasure of entertaining the convention the two years hence.

## GRAND OFFICERS.

The following grand officers were then elected for the coming year:

Worthy Grand Chief, Professor E. J. Shives, *Ola*, Worthy Grand Chaplain, Rev. T. F. Winsor, S. L. D., Tennessie (vice-chancellor of the University of the South);

Worthy Grand Scrip, Mr. Daniel E. Pease, New York; Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals, Howard Lamar, Esq., Alabama; Worthy Grand Keeper of Exchequer, M. F. Horn, Pennsylvania;

Worthy Grand Usher, J. C. Galloway, Esq., Mississippi; Worthy Grand Sentinel, D. A. White, Esq., North Carolina;

Worthy High Chancellor, Judge J. E. M. Norton, Virginia; High Council Professor N. Wiley Thomas, of Girard College, Pennsylvania; Rev. A. G. Johnson, D. D., Minister, Professor of the B. Nauts, of University of the South; Tennessee; James B. Green, Esq., Virginia; Joseph R. Anderson, Jr., Esq., Virginia; Orator, Hon. William S. Bradford, Esq., member of Congress; Poet, Dr. T. B. Williams, North Carolina.

THE YEAR'S GROWTH.

Mr. Walter T. Daniel, of New York city, was appointed a delegate to the Pan-American Conference to be held in that city in January next.

During the last two years seven new chapters have been established, seven dormant chapters revived, and nine others have been discontinued. The membership is about 3,000. The fraternity is represented in the Congress of the United States by seven men, and many others hold prominent positions in social and professional life.

## The Banquet Last Night.

Delegates from the principal colleges of the United States, visiting members, and relatives of members of 150 had a most enjoyable banquet last night at Zimmerman's. The spacious room was profusely and handsomely decorated with growing plants and the tables were fully covered with the shapes of a Maltese Cross and ornamented with cut flowers of beautiful designs, monograms of A. T. O., and symbols of the order being conspicuous. Such an array of youthful faces was inspiring.

Mr. E. Shives, of Ohio, presided, flanked on the left by Rev. A. Glazebrook, D. D., the founder of the prosperous order, and Joseph R. Anderson, Jr., founder of the *Palm*, the official organ of the fraternity. Walter T. Daniel, of New York city, present; Thomas J. Daniel, a relative of Virginia's distinguished senator.

## PRESENTED WITH DIAMONDS.

At 11 o'clock, when supper was over, Rev. Dr. Glazebrook arose and in a very happy speech presented Professor E. J. Shives with an elegant diamond brooch in honor of his election for that office, as a work of great merit of the order. In a few heart-sore words the fraternity was thanked for its kindness and liberality, and Professor Shives then called on Walter T. Daniel, of New York, to respond to the toast "Quarto-Centennial Congress," in which he showed what had been done by this fraternity, established six months after the war, until the present time.

through the influence of those who have been most zealous for her success.

## OTHER TOASTS.

*"The Old Dominion"* was responded to by E. C. Mason, Esq., of Virginia in a fitting manner.*"Our Country"*, by F. A. Fafe, of Ohio, in which he thanked the alumni of Richmond for their hospitality and made some happy hits.

The Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, which knew the New England, the East, the West, but one grand country, was responded to in such a manner by K. F. Hubbard, of New York, that the assembly arose in amaze at its conclusion and cheered most heartily.

Our Richmond Alumni was responded to by George Wayne Anderson, of Richmond.

The sentiment:

*"Woman, lovely woman, nature made thee to temper man."*

Two other toasts without these:

Angels were painted fair to look like these; There is no place in all that we believe them to be save with Fred Tupper, of South Carolina.

The Master of Ceremonies was appropriately responded to by J. R. Chaddock, of Michigan.

*"Ghosts,"* by James B. Green, of Virginia, was one of the most pleasant addresses of the evening.*"Our Duty,"* was answered by all the members arising.

Our Founders was treated by Dr. Glazebrook in such a manner that when he told his children the members felt proud to call him their father.

Mr. E. C. Mason then sang a solo composed by himself which he heartily appreciated, especially by the alumni of the University of Virginia.

The Royal Arch Chapter No. 43, and Dauphin Consistory, No. 1, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, held meetings in St. Albans Hall.

## AMONG THE MASONS.

ST. JOHN'S CELEBRATED BY BLUE LODGE, CHAPTER AND SCOTTISH.

Degrees Conferred and Officers Elected and Installed—Several Meetings to Take Place This Week.

The Hastings Court adjourned for the term yesterday.

Mr. Luther A. Betts, now in business in Pittsburgh, Penn., is on a Christmas visit to his parents here.

Miss Grace Chamberlain, of Warrington, is visiting Mrs. J. D. Chamberlain, No. 708 east Leigh street.

The Freemasons have the two Saints John as their patrons. June 24th, the anniversary of St. John the Baptist, is the day most generally observed by the craft, but December 27th, the anniversary of the Evangelist, is observed by several bodies in this city, and the lodge in Manchester.

Mrs. Richard N. Herndon, of Larimore, visited the night before the Blue Lodge, No. 11, Larimore, Wash., worshipful master; L. A. L. Stratton, of the Royal Arch Chapter, No. 43, and Dauphin Consistory, No. 1, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, held meetings in St. Albans Hall.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

The Blue Lodge was opened about 7 o'clock, and as it conferred the second and third degrees the evening was drawing to a close, the lodges invited to supper.

John F. Ryan, of Loudoun county, and Sheriff Alderson, of Wise county, were the guests of the Master.

Mr. Frank C. Murphy, of the Census Bureau, Washington, is spending the holidays in Richmond with his family.

Mrs. E. F. Adams, wife of Washington, is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas A. Evans, 1002 West Main street.

THE JUDGES APPOINTED.

Mr. Richard H. Fox entertained a number of friends in an elegant manner Friday evening at his new home at Barton Hill.

Mrs. Edward G. Rawlings, of Wilson, N. C., Mrs. John C. Jenkins, of Marion, her aunt, Mrs. Courtney Jenkins, No. 1 West Cary street.

Rev. Charles D. Price, of Hampton, formerly of Petersburg, will preach at the Grace-St. Peter's church this evening.

Mr. Edward G. Chalker, who spent the holiday with his son in this city, has returned to Buena Vista, where he is engaged in business.

The ladies of the City Mission distributed candies, toys, etc., to one hundred poor children between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M. yesterday.

Misses Maggie V. and Maia A. Neffit, of Baltimore, Md., are spending the holidays with their aunt, Mrs. Henry C. Burger, No. 600 north Second street.

Mr. General R. Taylor Scott, wife, and two daughters are expected at Mrs. Bryan's, 303 east Franklin, the 1st January; also, Miss Anna D. Boiling.

Mr. Frank H. Dougherty has returned to his daughter Anna, who is spending the holidays with her son, James H. Barton. They will remain in Richmond during January.

It is expected that Judge Lewis will render a decision in the Beale-Tommasi case during the coming term of the Chancery Court. The case is almost certain to go to the Supreme Court.

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THE ROYAL ARCH MASON.

Those Who Will Hear the Evidence in the Hustings Court.

THE JANUARY JURORS.

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THE GOVERNOR IN FARMVILLE.

He Is Called There by the Serious Illness of Judge Irving.

GOVERNOR McKEE LEFT FOR FARMVILLE.

Governor McKee left for Farmville yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, being called there by the serious illness of his life-long friend, Judge F. D. Irving. Dr. Nash, who is also an intimate friend of the Judge, accompanied the Governor.

His Excellency expects to return about Tuesday.

Had His Finger Cut.

The ambulance which called yesterday at 12.30 to remove a white horse named Captain L. C. Jenkins with a jagged cut on the hand, has since been removed.

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